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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FILED WITH CPA TRANSMITTAL**

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 21, 2000, a Final Amendment was filed. The Advisory Action received in response to the Final Amendment, pointed out certain errors (namely that Claims 1 and 8 were being amended a second time and not the first time as stated in the Final Amendment and that the Remarks section incorrectly stated that Claims 1-18 were pending although the next sentence indicated that Claims 2, 3 and 12 had been canceled). These errors have been herein corrected. Other than these corrections, this Preliminary Amendment is basically the same as the Final Amendment and is being filed to give the Office the opportunity for further consideration and/or search. Please also note that the

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